GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF TYPHOID VACCINES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of Typhoid Vaccines at Haffkine Bio-Pharmaceutical Corporation Ltd. (HBPCL) was stopped in 1997;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to resume manufacturing of this vaccine; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) The production of Whole cell killed typhoid vaccine was stopped in 1996 because the vaccine was found to be less efficacious in field practice.

(c) & (d) The Government has permitted M/s Haffkine Bio-Pharmaceuticals Corporation Ltd. (HBPCL), Mumbai in 2002 to manufacture Whole cell killed (AKD type) typhoid vaccine for its limited use to the defence personnel only.